

## **EXCEEDANCE TYPES**

### **August 10 – August 22, 2005**

According to the Washington Department of Ecology TDG variance for 2005 spill season, the Corps is required to provided the following information on exceedances of the 120% TDG in tailwater and 115% TDG in forebay water quality standards:

1. Date and times of exceedance
2. Amount of exceedance in percent saturation
3. Explain reason for exceedance
4. Discuss steps taken to fix the problem.

In order to provide the above information, the Corps has developed the following draft list of reasons that exceedances occur. Exceedances are being tracked and the following table is the results for the 2005 spill season from May 31 – June 13, 2005.

<b>Types of Exceedances:</b>
1. Exceedance due to high runoff flows and flood control efforts
2. Exceedance due to Intertie line outages
3. Exceedance due to unit outages during repair or maintenance
4. Exceedance due to BPA is unable to handle load so they had to spill
5. Exceedance due to a break down in communication. (e.g. Teletype transmission failure or project operator misinterpreted teletype)
6. Exceedance due to uncertainties when using best professional judgment to apply the spill guidance criteria (travel time; degassing; water temperature effects; spill patterns)
7. Exceedance due to high TDG levels coming from the Mid-Columbia Projects (see Pasco FMS readings).
8. Exceedance due to high TDG levels coming from the Snake Projects (See Ice Harbor Dam tailwater FMS readings)
9. Exceedance due to a load rejection, the powerhouse was not working and the river was spilled.
10. Exceedance due to failure of FMS gages, database outage, and satellite failures, etc
11. Exceedance due to other unanticipated mechanical problems/maintenance operations (gate was stuck open, passing debris etc.)
12. Exceedance due to sharp rise in water temperature (a 3 to 5 degree F. change in a day).
13. Exceedance due to bulk spill pattern being used which generated more TDG than expected.

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**OF 12 HIGHEST HOURS AVERAGE OF % TDG**

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